



SENATE TIED UP

Unable to Agree on Man for President.

KUYKENDALL OR CARTER

A Bitter Fight Is Being Waged by Friends of Both Candidates for Supremacy.

NOTHING DOING YESTERDAY

The House Organizes by the Election of Mills of Multnomah, But Is Compelled to Adjourn on Account of Deadlock in Senate.

Salem, Jan. 9.—Both houses of the legislature convened yesterday morning. The house members went into caucus and elected A. L. Mills of Multnomah speaker. The following nominations were made for the subordinate positions: Chief clerk, A. C. Jennings; reading clerk, C. A. Murphy; journal clerk, F. W. Drager; calendar clerk, F. O. Northrup. The house was called to order by A. C. Jennings, and all the officers nominated in caucus were elected. An adjournment was taken until this morning at 10 o'clock.

The senate is tied up in a deadlock. The Kuykendall forces number 15 and the Carter forces 10. The Carter men refused to go into caucus, and there not being a majority no caucus could be held. There are 25 republicans and 5 democrats in the senate, and the democrats are with the Carter men. The senate was called to order at 2 o'clock and nominations made for president. Kuykendall received 15 votes Carter 10 and the democrats nominee 5. No one having received a majority of the votes, the senate adjourned without organizing. The Carter men say they will not recede and propose to prevent the election of Kuykendall if it takes all winter. The army of candidates for subordinate positions and clerkships do not relish the idea of a deadlock. An effort was made tonight to secure a caucus but failed. It looks now as though the deadlock would continue the remainder of the week. It is impossible for the legislature to do any business until the senate is organized. The governor's message will not be delivered until both houses have completed organization.

No Organization Yet.

Salem, Jan. 9.—All efforts to elect a president of the senate have been unavailing. Thirty-nine ballots were taken in the senate this afternoon, the last ballot resulting Kuykendall 14 Carter 9, Miller (Dem.) 5. Necessary to a choice 16. The session adjourned at 5 o'clock until 8 o'clock. In the interim an effort was made to have the Carter faction go into caucus, but they refused.

The senate met again at 8 o'clock and 16 more ballots were taken, the result being the same as in the afternoon. The five democratic votes went to Smith of Umatilla. After the adjournment, a caucus was held of the Carter men and they decided to continue the fight to a finish. It looks as though the deadlock will continue until both factions agree upon a compromise candidate. An effort is being made to spring Malarky as the compromise candidate, but objection is raised to this as he is from Multnomah and Mills, elected speaker of the house, is from the same county.

MICHIGAN'S LUMBER.

Trade Is Reported to Be in a Better Condition.

Bay City, Mich., Jan. 9.—Lumbering operations in Michigan promise to show this year in Michigan a decided improvement over 1904. The conditions for putting in logs throughout Eastern Michigan are exceptionally good. With the market prospects decidedly better, nearly all manufactured lumber having stiffened materially during the past

few months, lumbermen are elated over the general outlook. The past fall has been dry, enabling cutting and skidding to continue without interruption, and there is now plenty of snow for hauling and not enough to impede operations. The indications are that the Eastern Michigan mills will have available supply of over 500,000,000 feet of logs for the ensuing year.

Washington Aroused.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 9.—The following authoritative statement was made tonight:

"In the spring of 1902 the interior department was informed of extensive land frauds being perpetrated in Montana and Idaho. Secretary Hitchcock immediately commenced an investigation and in the state of Montana it was discovered that many fraudulent entries were made.

"It was soon discovered, as alleged, that under the leadership of R. B. Cobban, a conspiracy was organized and a lot of people living in the vicinity of Missoula, men and women, were directed to make applications to the land office. Under this act of congress it is necessary for the applicant, when making application to take oath that the land is not taken for speculative purposes, but for their own use, and none else directly or indirectly is interested in the purchase.

"Cobban and his associates prepared all these affidavits and paid all the expenses and \$2.50 an acre for the land and gave these persons \$100 and \$150 apiece for sales swearing and false entry. One hundred and two persons are indicted and a number of other indictments are filed, Cobban being indicted some 10 times. All the lands were sold by Cobban to United States Senator W. A. Clark.

"Demurrers were filed in these indictments and they were delayed from time to time until now."

WITHOUT CONFUSION

Washington Solons Carry Out "the Slate"

MEGLER WAS CAUCUS CHOICE

Charles E. Coon, the Legal President of the Senate, Did Not Preside, But Had a Seat on the Dis-Other Business.

Olympia, Wash., Jan. 9.—With republicans of the lower house agreed upon the speaker, the legislature effected its organization today with great celerity. The name of J. G. Megler, the caucus nominee, was presented by Dr. W. H. Hare of Yakima, speaker of the house for 1903. There are four democrats in the lower body of the legislature and they proposed the name of Robert Ayer, of Thurston. Megler cast his vote for Ayer, making the total vote, Megler 89, Ayer 5.

In the senate J. J. Smith of King county president of the senate for 1903, presiding officer, occupying a seat at his right.

In the senate a resolution deploring the death of Senator E. S. Hamilton of Tacoma, who had he lived, would have held over the present session, was adopted by a rising vote. The committees of both houses agreed upon a full list of employes and in the senate the list recommended was approved.

The house approved only the four appointees needed in the preliminary work. The balance of the list will be acted on tomorrow. The legislature used for the first time the legislative chambers of the new capitol building. Both houses, after a short session, adjourned until tomorrow.

PEACE REIGNS.

New York, Jan. 9.—Kingdon Gould returned to Columbia today and resumed his regular class work undisturbed. The sophomores suspended for hazing him also returned. To all outward appearances the incident is closed.

Our Electoral Vote.

Salem, Jan. 9.—Grant B. Dimick, James A. Fee, J. N. Hart and A. C. Hough, presidential electors, met in this city today and cast the four votes of Oregon for Roosevelt and Fairbanks.

GRIEF COMING

Booth and Bridges Are Now Removed.

WILLIAMSON IS NAMED

Heny Asked For the Latest Action at the Roseburg Land Office.

HERMANN AND MITCHELL IN IT

More Indictments Promised the Senator and Congressman—Lumber Companies May Soon Be Implicated in Land Frauds.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 9.—The president today signed an order suspending James H. Booth and Joseph T. Bridges, respectively register and receiver of the United States land office at Roseburg, Ore. The action was on the recommendation of Secretary Hitchcock and was based on a telegram from F. J. Heny, who alleged that the affairs of the Roseburg office are in a bad condition.

AT HENY'S REQUEST.

Williamson May Also Get Federal Valentine.

Portland, Ore., Jan. 9.—F. J. Heny stated today that he made the request for the removal of Booth and Bridges as a result of the investigation of the past week. This announcement is considered significant here and it is thought to be the forerunner of several important indictments.

For several months it has been rumored that the government had the Roseburg office under examination, and the removals tend to confirm these rumors. It is said the government will attempt to connect large lumbering interests located in the southern part of the state with the land frauds cases and the move made today was the first step in that direction.

More indictments against Hermann and possibly Mitchell are expected; report from Washington, D. C., says Congressman Williamson will be indicted, and it has been claimed for some time that Frederick A. Kribs and A. C. Smith, the latter of Minneapolis, Minn., would be charged with fraud by the grand jury. There is no connection, as far as known, however, between Kribs and Congressman Williamson. The latter is said to have operated, if there is any basis for the charge, in Eastern Oregon, while it is known that Kribs' dealings in timber have been confined almost entirely to Western Oregon.

Horace G. McKinley, S. A. D. Pater and Dan Tarpley are still detained in the city as witnesses before the grand jury, and it is upon their evidence, so it is claimed, the government hopes to indict some of the prominent men who are said to be tangled in the meshes of the land-fraud octopus.

PROBABLY DRUNK.

Portland Man Sends Nan Patterson Some Money.

New York, Jan. 9.—Nan Patterson received today a letter from a man in Portland, Ore., inclosing \$25, with the request that she use the money to purchase a New Year token. The letter said Miss Patterson has many sympathizers in the west who believe in her innocence and concluded: "If you need more money, send the word."

She gave the money to her father for a present to her mother.

ADAMS GETS IT.

Peabody Will Contest Colorado Election Results.

Denver, Jan. 9.—With the exception of the contest for the governorship which will be filed by Governor Peabody Wednesday, and the hearing of which will continue through several weeks, the political troubles of Colo-

rado that are of particular interest to the outside world have been settled and Alva Adams will be inaugurated governor tomorrow.

The last fight was waged today in the senate when Luther Goddard of Denver and George W. Bailey of Fort Collins, nominated by Governor Peabody for supreme bench, was confirmed. An effort will probably be made at some later time to induce Governor Adams to appoint two men in place of Goddard and Bailey, as the appointments today made the political complexion of the court seven republicans and but two democrats.

The inauguration of Adams tomorrow will be in the simplest manner. There will, by request of the governor elect, be no military display, and it is believed the ceremony will last but a few minutes.

MYSTERIOUS RUMOR.

Baltic Fleet Stays Lost Somewhere Near Madagascar.

London, Jan. 9.—A dispatch from Port Louis, Mauritius, to the Mail, says: "Nothing has been seen or heard of the Russian Baltic fleet, supposed to be sheltered in some harbor off Madagascar or off the Comoro Islands."

There are mysterious rumors here of the approach of Japanese cruisers and the receipt of strange wireless messages.

IMPOSING SPECTACLE.

Morton and Dewey Inspect the Battleships.

Fort Monroe, Va., Jan. 9.—The inspection of the battleships of the coast and Caribbean squadrons, by Secretary of the Navy Morton and Admiral Dewey today, was one of the most imposing naval spectacles witnessed in Hampton Roads in many years.

CAPTURED LUNATIC

Sheriff Linville Corrals a Dangerous Crazy Man.

EFFLER WANTED POPE PIUS

Broke Into House Near Warrenton in Search of Priests—Had to Be Strapped Down to a Hand-Car—Has Family.

Warrenton, Jan. 9.—(Special.)—Geo. Effler, a middle-aged man, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Sheriff Linville and taken to Astoria on complaint of a number of Warrenton citizens who were completely terrorized by the prisoner, who was extremely violent and broke into a number of houses.

There was quite a struggle with Effler when he was captured, but no one was injured, as he was unarmed. Effler seemed to be crazy on the subject of the priesthood, and, after breaking in doors, he would demand that the inmates of the houses show him where the pope of Rome, whom Effler declared to be the "richest man in the world."

The inmates of the houses entered were in each case unable to cope with their dangerous visitor, and he was allowed much his own way, but he did not seem appeased by this and only grew more violent.

It was necessary to strap Effler to a hand-car and bring him to this city that way, and after he arrived and while on the way to jail he yelled and fought every step until he was behind the bars.

Effler has a family residing three miles below Warrenton, and has lived in this county for many years. He did not exhibit dangerous tendencies before, and his friends are at a loss to explain his suddenly contracted plight.

DENVER FILLED.

Nothing But Delegates in Mountain Town.

Denver, Jan. 9.—The city tonight was filled with overflowing with delegates to the national live stock convention which opens tomorrow. From present indications it will be one of the most important gatherings the stockmen ever held in this country.

BILLS PASSED

Omnibus Claims Receive Favorable Attention.

AMOUNT IS \$2,800,000

Senate Wrangles for Hours Over the Statehood Bill But Does Little.

BALL IN PENSIONS BUILDING

Cannon and Others Oppose Holding Inaugural Festivities in National Building—Alaska Gets a Concession for Care of Insane.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 9.—After passage of the omnibus claims bill and a few minor measures, and fixing January 28 for the delivery of addresses in memory of the late Senator Hoar, the senate devoted its time to the statehood bill, Morgan speaking two hours against the bill.

When the senate convened Mallory presented a minority report to the merchant marine commission, which was referred to the committee on commerce. The omnibus claims bill was then considered, several committee amendments adopted and the bill passed. It carries direct appropriations amounting to about \$2,800,000.

Cannon Bucked.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 9.—The house adopted senate resolutions today providing, among other things, for holding the inaugural ball in the pension building.

Speaker Cannon and several republican leaders recorded themselves as opposed to the idea. When the house convened today the committee on appropriations presented majority and minority reports on the pension appropriation bill.

Favorable action was taken today on a resolution granting temporary occupancy of a portion of the monument lot to the American railway appliance exhibition in connection with the meeting of international railway conductors.

A bill was passed providing for the construction and maintenance of roads and the establishment and maintenance of schools and the care and support of insane persons in Alaska.

NEWS BY KITES.

Russians Annoy Japs With Artillery Fire.

Huanchan (Via Mukden), Jan. 9.—News of the fall of Port Arthur was received here at first unofficially from the Japanese who let loose numerous paper kites bearing letters and triumphant inscriptions. These kites were picked up by Russian soldiers long before the telegraph gave them the news.

The army received the announcement doggedly, regret being expressed that the troops were unable to relieve the garrison but confidence is felt that ultimately the Russians will be able to push back the Japanese and reach the fortress from the north.

The Russian artillery is steadily pounding the section of the Japanese line west of Sinchinpu and about the villages of Bantoshan and Sintingun. The Japanese are using balloons and searchlights in efforts to locate the Russian batteries, which have been causing them great annoyance.

For the past two days the Japanese made two unsuccessful attempts to break through the Russian advance lines.

ENTERTAIN PRISONERS.

Japanese Admiration for the Russian Soldiers Is Great.

Tokio, Jan. 9 (Noon)—The Japanese who express great admiration for General Fock and other officers for refusing to receive the Russian prisoners from Port Arthur. The first batch of 10,000 are expected to arrive at Moji

and Shemoseki shortly. After disinfection, they will be sent to Kure and probably to Matsuyama, Nagoya, Himeji, Kyoto, etc.

The generals will be treated in the best possible manner. It is unlikely any of the prisoners will be brought to Tokio.

The Gazette announced that the Russians have delivered five survivors of the third Japanese expedition to block the entrance to Port Arthur harbor.

JAP CASUALTIES.

Ten Thousand Leave No Trace of Their Fate.

Tokio, Jan. 9, 4 p. m.—From well-informed sources it is estimated that of the original garrison of Port Arthur about 38,000 or 40,000 men, including sailors, were killed or died of sickness. The number of missing men is placed at over 10,000.

ARE NOT LIABLE.

Agents Cannot Be Held for Employers' Acts.

Helena, Mont., Dec. 9.—By order of Judge Smith of the district court today five agents, selling in Butte, who were arrested in the beef trust cases, were discharged from custody and their bondsmen exonerated, on the ground that agents of a corporation are not liable for the acts of their companies.

The attorney general was granted leave by the court to have new summons issued in the cases.

Explosion Reported.

London, Jan. 9.—The Telegraph's correspondent at Chefoo reports that the Japanese consul there received news of a disastrous mine explosion today at Port Arthur. The same correspondent asserts that a large part of Nogi's army has already been sent north to Liao Yang.

INDICTMENTS THICK

Montana Plutocrats Must Answer Many Charges.

SENATOR CLARK TOOK LANDS

Senator Clark May Have to Explain Why Land Frauders in Montana Got a Better Price Than in Oregon Cases.

Helena, Mont., Jan. 9.—Judge Hunt in the United States court today overruled the demurrers of the defendants in the indictment cases of the United States against R. M. Cobban, J. B. Catlin and others for subornation of perjury and perjury in connection with timber land entries in Western Montana.

The accused now have to come on for trial. The timber lands were afterwards acquired by Senator W. A. Clark.

Clark Bought It.

Missoula, Mont. Jan. 9.—Notice of his pendens was filed in the office of the clerk and recorded here today regarding the cases pending in the United States court, wherein W. A. Clark and R. M. Cobban are defendants regarding the alleged timber frauds in Missoula and neighboring counties. Twenty thousand acres of the best timber lands in this part of Montana are involved.

IS NOT LOST.

Earl Fitzwilliams Has at Last Reached Panama.

New York, Jan. 9.—All anxiety as to the safety of the steamer Vernerique bearing Earl Fitzwilliams and a party of distinguished Englishmen voyaging in the Southern Pacific, has been set at rest by dispatches from Panama, cables the Herald's London Correspondent. The Earl is now said to have landed at Panama and is on his way home.

Millionaire Ill.

San Francisco, Jan. 9.—James H. Murray, a millionaire banker of Montana, is seriously ill here and little hope is expressed for his recovery. Murray is well known in Montana, where he made a large fortune.